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SUBJ: US POSITION ON INSCRIPTION OF PALESTINIAN

QUESTION AT UNGA

REF: STATE 207895

1. AL-BAATH, BAATH PARTY NEWSPAPER, CARRIED ON PAGE TWO SEP 23 A BOX ITEM ENTITLED "APPROVAL OF US TO INSCRIBE PALESTINIAN CAUSE ON CALENDAR OF UNGA." FOLLOWING IS COMPLETE TEXT OF QUOTE: AGENCIES PUBLISHED ON SEPT 19 NEWS SAYING THAT USA OPPOSED LISTING OF PALESTINIAN CAUSE AS SEPARATE ITEM ON UNGA CALENDAR. AL-BAATH NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED THIS NEWS AS IT CAME FROM NEWS AGENCIES. A CORRECTION TO THIS NEWS ARRIVED LATER INFORMING US THAT INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO AMERICAN DELEGATION IN GA CONFIRMED US APPROVAL TO LISTING PALESTINIAN CAUSE ON THE GA'S CALENDAR.

2. IN SPITE OF THIS CORRECTION, ANOTHER ARTICLE IN SAME ISSUE DISCUSSED ISRAELI REACTION TO INSCRIPTION OF PALESTINIAN QUESTION AGAIN STATES THAT US WAS OPPOSED TO INSCRIPTION.

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3. COMMENT: PRIOR RECEIPT OF REFTEL, AMBASSADOR
HAD BRIEFED ACTING FORMIN RAFA'I ON THIS SUBJECT
MAKING CLEAR THAT WE DID NOT OPPOSE INSCRIPTION
OF PALESTINIAN ISSUE BUT WERE CONCERNED NOTHING
BE DONE AT UNGA WHICH WOULD RAISE BARRIERS TO
FURTHER PROGRESS IN DELICATE ME NEGOTIATIONS.
ADDITIONAL POINTS MENTIONED REFTEL WILL BE CONVEYED
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